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FM AMEMBASSY SOFIA

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INFO AMEMBASSY BELGRADE

AMEMBASSY BUCHAREST

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR, BU, XF

SUBJECT: BULGARIA SENDING MEDICAL SUPPLIES TO MIDEAST

DEPT. PASS CAIRO

1. LOCAL PRESS FOR FIRST TIME IS PUBLICIZING BULGARIAN AIRLIFT OF MEDICAL SUPPLIES TO MIDEAST. WEEKEND PRESS CARRIED STORY THAT "AN 24" OF BALKAN AIRLINES LEFT SOFIA FOR DAMASCUS CARRYING PLASMA, SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS, AND OTHER SUPPLIES FOR SYRIA. RABOTNICHESKO DELO NOVEMBER 20 HAS FRONT PAGE STORY "GIFT FROM BULGARIA" DESCRIBING SIMILAR FLIGHT PREVIOUS DAY TO CARIO. GIFTS ARE OSTENSIBLY FROM BULGARIAN RED CROSS AND PROVIDED AT TIME WHEN EGYPT "BADLY NEEDS SUPPLIES TO PROTECT THE LIVES OF ITS PEOPLE."

2. COMMENT: WE SUSPECT THAT BULGARIA HAS SUPPLIED SUCH MEDICAL AID AND PERHAPS PERSONNEL WELL BEFORE RECENT

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PUBLICITY. ANNOUNCEMENT MAY INDICATE THAT AUTHORITIES

FEEL CONFIDENT SUCH ASSISTANCE WILL NOT BE RESENTED  
BY POPULATION GENERALLY UNSYMPATHETIC WITH ARAB CAUSE.  
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NOTE BY OCT: NOT PASSED CAIRO.

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